

Senate Study Bill 1119 - Introduced

SENATE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
NATURAL RESOURCES AND
ENVIRONMENT BILL BY
CHAIRPERSON DEARDEN)

A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the operation of a snowmobile within
2 the right-of-way of an interstate highway or freeway and
3 including penalty provisions.
4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321G.9, subsection 1, Code 2015, is
2 amended by striking the subsection and inserting in lieu
3 thereof the following:

4 1. A snowmobile shall not be operated at any time within
5 the right-of-way of any interstate highway or freeway within
6 this state. However, a snowmobile may be operated within the
7 right-of-way of an interstate highway or freeway when using
8 an underpass or crossing a bridge located on the interstate
9 highway or freeway if the snowmobile is brought to a complete
10 stop before entering onto the right-of-way and the driver
11 yields the right-of-way to any approaching vehicle on the
12 roadway.

13 EXPLANATION

14 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
15 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

16 This bill provides that a snowmobile may be operated on
17 the right-of-way of an interstate or freeway when using an
18 underpass or crossing a bridge if the snowmobile is brought
19 to a complete stop before entering onto the right-of-way and
20 the driver yields the right-of-way to any approaching vehicle
21 on the roadway. Currently, a snowmobile may be operated on
22 the right-of-way only when using an underpass that has been
23 abandoned and the underpass is the only alternative to the use
24 of a traveled roadway.

25 A violation of the bill's provisions is punishable with a
26 scheduled fine of \$50.